

04-R-1033

AN AMENDED RESOLUTION BY

CITY UTILITIES COMMITTEE

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF STIPULATED PENALTIES IMPOSED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA (EPD) IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$343,500.00 PURSUANT TO THE FIRST AMENDED CONSENT DECREE, CIVIL ACTION FILE NO. 1:98-CV-1956-TWT; TO IDENTIFY THE SOURCE OF FUNDING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, on May 21, 2004 the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) made a written demand on the City for stipulated penalties concerning violations of the First Amended Consent Decree (1:98-CV-1956-TWT); and

WHEREAS, the First Amended Consent Decree stipulated penalties for 2003 are 16% less than those fines in 2002; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Watershed Management continues to make substantial progress within the separated and combined sewer systems in which the Department expects to continue seeing declines in future fines and spills; and

WHEREAS, under the First Amended Consent Decree the City is subject to stipulated penalties for sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs) to waters and dry land (all quarters for 2003); and

WHEREAS, the total amount assessed and demanded by EPD and EPA for these violations is Three Hundred Forty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$343,500.00) as set out in Exhibit "A" hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Watershed Management of the City does not dispute the fact that these violations did occur; and

WHEREAS, the payment to EPD and EPA of this assessment by the City does not constitute a finding or adjudication, is not to be evidence of a violation of state or federal laws by the City, nor does the City by its consent agree to any violations of state or federal laws or admit any liability to any third party or parties; and

WHEREAS, funds for this purpose are available in account number 2J01 529017 Q31001; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed to be in the interest of the City to accept the proposed stipulated penalties and to pay the incident assessments to them.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE AND IT IS RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA as follows:

<u>Section One</u>: That the Chief Financial Officer of the City is authorized to issue checks in the amounts not to exceed One Hundred Seventy One Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars and 00/100 (\$171,750.00) payable to the **State of Georgia** and One Hundred Seventy One Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$171,750.00) payable to the **Treasurer**, **United States of America** as stipulated penalties imposed pursuant to the First Amended Consent Decree at the discretion of the Environmental Protection Agency and the Environmental Protection Division of the Department of Natural Resources of the State of Georgia; and

<u>Section Two</u>: That the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to pay interest due, if any, on the said stipulated penalties in accordance with the First Amended Consent Decree; and

Section Three: That the said payments be chargeable to Account Number 2J01 529017 Q31001.

<u>Section Four</u>: That the Department of Aviation shall reimburse the Department of Watershed Management for \$4,000 for a stipulated penalty included in the demand letter from EPA/EPD dated 5-21-04 in regards to a sewer spill at the construction site of the 5th runway on 2-8-03 which was a spill in the amount of 25,000 gallons.

ADOPTED as amended by Council APPROVED by the Mayor

July 6, 2004 July 14, 2004



Exhibit A Summary of Penalty Demand

First Amended Consent Decree Violations	Amount
1 st Quarter/Yr. 2003:	
118 unpermitted discharges to waters of the State	
59 sewage overflows to dry land	Subtotal: \$103,500
2 nd Quarter/Yr. 2003:	
124 unpermitted discharges to waters of the State	
52 sewage overflows to dry land	Subtotal: \$122,000
3 rd Quarter/Yr. 2003:	
72 unpermitted discharges to waters of the State	
34 sewage overflows to dry land	Subtotal: \$62,500
4 th Quarter/Yr. 2003:	
59 unpermitted discharges to waters of the State	
36 sewage overflows to dry land	Subtotal: \$51,500
5 th Runway – Department of Aviation (2-8-03)	Subtotal: \$4,000
TOTAL DEMAND	\$343,500

Atlanta City Council

Regular Session

CONSENT I CONSENT I PG(S) 1-9, EXCEPT:04-R-1187 04-R-1179 04-R-1143 03-O-1690 ADOPT

YEAS: 13
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 0
NOT VOTING: 2
EXCUSED: 0
ABSENT 0

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